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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION:
TEXTILES AND APPAREL

REF: STATE 133842

1. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH EMBOFF JUNE 2, MINCOMMERCE JOINT SECRETARY S.P. SHUKLA, WHILE MAINTAINING HIS USUAL CALM MANNER, EXPRESSED OFFICIAL DISMAY THAT USG WAS TAKING FURTHER RESTRICTIVE MEASURES AGAINST INDIAN TEXTILE EXPORTS WHEN "THE DUST HAS HARDLY SETTLED" ON THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT RENEGOTIATED AT THE END OF LAST YEAR. HE ALSO SAID INDIAN TEXTILE EXPORTERS WERE CONCERNED THAT COUNTERVAILING DUTIES WOULD BE APPLIED ON TOP OF TARIFF DUTIES WHICH FOR MANY ITEMS WERE ALREADY HIGH IN US CONTEXT.

2. EMBOFF REITERATED THAT US LAW ON COUNTERVAILING DUTIES IS OF LONGSTANDING AND, WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS RELATED TO MTN, WAS BLANKET IN ITS OPERATION. INDIA WAS CLEARLY NOT BEING SINGLED OUT: TEXTILE CASE APPLIED TO SEVERAL OTHER MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS OF OURS, AND WE HAD ALREADY HAD FINAL
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DETERMINATIONS IN OTHER COUNTERVAILING DUTY CASES WITH OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. USG CONTINUED TO SEEK AN AGREEMENT ON COUNTERVAILING DUTIES/SUBSIDIES IN THE MTN WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR POORER LDCS.

3. SHUKLA SAID HE COULD NOT EVALUATE SIGNIFICANCE OF TREASURY DECISION ON INDIA'S TRADING INTERESTS SINCE OFFICIAL US NOTI-

FICATION DID NOT GIVE DETAILS ON WHAT GOI ACTIONS WERE CONSIDERED "BOUNTIES OR GRANTS" AND THEIR VALUE. HE ASKED WHETHER TREASURY'S PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION HAD COVERED THIS ASPECT. HE ALSO ASKED WHAT NEXT TREASURY STEPS WOULD BE. IN PARTICULAR, WHEN GOI SHOULD EXPECT USG TO INITIATE FORMAL BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS? IS IT CORRECT TO ASSUME THAT THIS WOULD BE BEFORE FINAL DETERMINATION IS REACHED?

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO RESPOND TO SHUKLA'S QUERIES. BLOOD

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